

## CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☐ WAIVER REQUEST  
☒ RECONSIDERATION REQUEST

DATE: 4/19/2022  
DOCKET#: 2022-021

### FILER INFORMATION

Name: Charles "Chuck" Lamarche  
Office: Council Member, District 9  
Parish: ST. TAMMANY  
Election Date: 10/12/2019  
Level of Office: Any

### REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: SUPP 2020  
Original Due Date: 2/18/2021  
Date Filed: 3/3/2021  
Activity Receipts: \$15,872.25 (Forgave Loan)  
Expenditures: \$17,989.04  
Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$-0

### LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$520  
Days Late: 13  
WR Letter Received: 3/31/2022  
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 4/20/2022  
Waiver Request Received: 4/05/2022  
Additional Information Requested:

- Medical
- Financial
- Other

COMMENTS: Charles "Chuck" Lamarche request a reconsideration and states the following: He spent half my retirement running for office in his community. He thought that caring about your community and stepping up to help was an honorable thing. Then he find out that it is okay for your opponent to slander someone to death without any consequences or repercussions. He moved away It was so bad. This was the first time he had ever run for office and found the LBOE's paperwork difficult to maneuver and navigates This is why he reached out to Ms. Horn for help. He was very pleased with her willingness to help guide him. During his move to Florida, he packed his paperwork believing he was finished with the LBOE, but much to his surprise he received another letter asking for more money.

### OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

#### Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No  
Other Outstanding Late Fees: No  
Prior Late Fees: YES  
Reassessed Late Fees: No

#### Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No  
Prior Late Fees: No

**Reconsideration letter to the LBOE / April 4, 2022**

To Whom it may concern,

I first want to say that this journey has been one of my worst decisions I have ever made. I spent half my retirement running for office in my community. I thought that caring about your community and stepping up to help was an honorable thing. Then I find out that it is okay for your opponent to slander someone to death without any consequences or repercussions. I moved away it was so bad. The liabe and lies told behind my back were atrocious.

With that in mind, I have been working closely with Ms. Melissa Horn and have done everything she has asked me to do. This was the first time I have ever run for office and found the LBOE's paperwork difficult to maneuver and navigate. This is why I reached out to Ms. Horn for help. I was very pleased with her willingness to help guide me. During my move to Florida, I packed my paperwork believing I was finished with the LBOE because of my last correspondence with Ms. Horn, but much to my surprise I received another letter asking for more money?

I am asking, no begging that the LBOE reconsider my request for a waiver. I have responded to any and all of Ms. Horn's correspondence and recommendations. Please excuse my ignorance when it comes to this line of participation in an election. Thank you very much for your time and reconsideration.

Sincerely,

Charles "Chuck" Lamarche

Former campaign associates;

Cc: Will Crain - Louisiana Supreme Court Justice  
Cc: Vinny Lobello - Louisiana 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Appeals Court Judge  
Cc: Brian Haggerty - Slidell Court Judge  
Cc: Paul Hollis - Louisiana State Rep  
Cc: Bob Owens - Louisiana State Rep  
Cc: Sharon Hewitt - Louisiana Senator  
Cc: Jim Lamz- Former Slidell Court Judge  
Cc: Randy Smith - St. Tammany Parish Sheriff  
Cc: Randy Fandal - Slidell Police Chief  
Cc: Floyd Trasher - St. Tammany Parish Constable  
Cc: Greg Cromer - Mayor of Slidell  
Cc: Chris Kaufmann - Fire Chief District 1 St. Tammany Parish (President of the Fire Chief's association)



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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 9, 2022

MR. CHARLES "CHUCK" LAMARCHE  
2526 CHERRYWOOD HILL DR., APT 103  
BRANDON, FL 33511-2351

RE: 2020 Supplemental Campaign Finance Disclosure Report - October 12, 2019 Election  
Docket ID: 2022-021  
BOARD RESULT: Decline to Waive

Dear Mr. Lamarche:

At its March 2022 meeting, the Louisiana Board of Ethics, in its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, considered your request for a "good cause" waiver of the \$520 late fee assessed against you for failing to timely file the 2020 Supplemental Campaign Finance Disclosure Report campaign finance disclosure report.

The Board concluded, and instructed me to inform you, that it **DECLINED TO WAIVE** the \$520 late fee. Please submit a check or money order in the amount of \$520, payable to *Louisiana State Treasurer*, P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821. You have 20 days from receipt of this notice to pay the late fee or dispute the assessment. **Please note that late fees can only be paid by the candidate or by his campaign.**

To dispute the assessment, you may elect to do either or both of the following:

1. You may submit a **request for reconsideration** to the *Board of Ethics*.  
If you choose to request reconsideration, your request should include additional information not previously provided or available to the Board during its initial consideration of the matter. If you would like to appear before the *Board of Ethics* in connection with your request, you should state that in your letter. If you request an appearance, you will be notified of the place and time prior to the meeting. The request should be submitted to: *Louisiana Board of Ethics* Post Office Box 4368, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70821. You may also fax the request to 225/381-7271. If the *Board of Ethics* denies your request, you may appeal the reduced amount to the *Ethics Adjudicatory Board*.
2. You may **request an appeal** of the assessment to the *Ethics Adjudicatory Board*.  
Your request shall include all grounds for which you are seeking an appeal, along with documentation and evidence. If you choose to request an appeal, your request should be submitted to: *Louisiana Board of Ethics* Post Office Box 4368, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821. You may also fax the request to 225/381-7271.

If you do not pay the late fee or dispute the assessment within 20 days of receipt of this notice, then the \$520 late fee will be forwarded to the Attorney General's Office for collection. If the matter is forwarded to the Attorney General's Office, you may be responsible for all additional costs incurred. Late fees not paid by the due date will be posted on the agency website. If you request reconsideration or an appeal, your name will not be posted on the agency website.

Additionally, it should be noted that any unpaid fines, fees, or penalties may have an adverse effect on your ability to run for public office, as the *Board of Ethics* will object to your candidacy in future elections pursuant to La. R.S. 18:491 and 18:492.

Sincerely,

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS**

Charles E. Reeves, Jr.

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